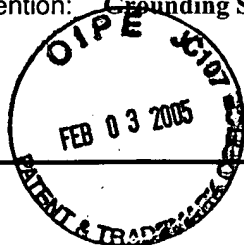


**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**Docket No.
Rm26iiIn Re Application Of: **Carpenter et al.**

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| Application No. 09/769,670 | Filing Date 01/25/2001 | Examiner Patel, D. | Customer No. 23996 | Group Art Unit 2831 | Confirmation No. 5405 |
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Invention: **Grounding Systems for Floating Roofs in Flammable Storage Tanks****COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 08/04/2004 in the above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month ☐ Two months ☒ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: 11/04/2004 until: 02/04/2005
Date *Date*

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR | NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT | RATE | ADDITIONAL FEE |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 30 - | 28 = | 2 | x \$25.00 | \$50.00 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 4 - | 4 = | 0 | x \$100.00 | \$0.00 |
| FEE FOR AMENDMENT | | | | | \$50.00 |
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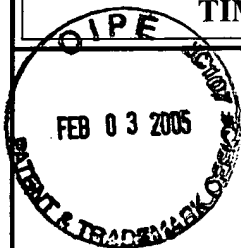
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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$560.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0617
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. _____
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